THE SENATE THE TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE REGULAR SESSION OF 2015

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND LABOR

Senator Gilbert S.C. Keith-Agaran, Chair Senator Maile S.L. Shimabukuro, Vice Chair

NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Tuesday, March 24, 2015

TIME: 9:00 am

PLACE: Conference Room 016

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

<u>AGENDA</u>

HB 124, HD2

(HSCR812)

Status & Testimony

RELATING TO ELECTIONS.

Beginning with the primary election in 2016, requires the office of elections to implement elections by mail in a county with a population less than 100,000. In 2018, elections by mail will be held in one or more counties with a population of more than 100,000. Thereafter requires all federal, state, and county primary, special primary, general, special general, and special elections to be conducted by mail. Establishes voter service centers for the counties and islands, in lieu of traditional polling places. Requires voter service centers to provide services such as voter registration. Appropriates funds. (HB124 HD2)

HB 15, HD1

(HSCR602)

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Proposed SD1

(HSCR602)

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RELATING TO ELECTIONS.

Creates a statewide standard for the distribution of absentee ballots. (HB15 HD1)

RELATING TO ELECTIONS.

Clarifies that the chair of the elections commission serves at-will and may be removed by a 2/3 vote of the commissioners.

Clarifies the term limits of the members of the elections commission, including the chair. Creates a statewide standard for the distribution of absentee ballots. (Proposed SD1)

Copies of the proposed SD 1 are available from the Senate Document Center and on the Legislature's website: www.capitol.hawaii.gov.

HB 676, HD1

(HSCR739)

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RELATING TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING.

Allows the chair of the State Public Charter School Commission to vote on agreements for collective bargaining units (5) and (6) and amends the vote allocations for bargaining units (5) and (6) agreements. Requires agreements for collective bargaining unit (9) to provide 3 votes for the Governor, 2 for HHSC, and 1 for the Chief Justice. (HB676 HD1)

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HB 792, HD2

(HSCR806)

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RELATING TO EVIDENCE.

Amends the Hawaii Rules of Evidence to authorize nonresident property crime victims to testify in misdemeanor or petty misdemeanor property criminal proceedings by a live two-way

video connection. (HB792 HD2)

DECLARING APRIL 24 AS A DAY OF REMEMBRANCE IN RECOGNITION AND COMMEMORATION OF THE ARMENIAN

GENOCIDE OF 1915.

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW, IF TIME PERMITS.

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Senator Gilbert S.C. Keith-Agaran Chair

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